DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal:

The proposal consists of 3 project elements: Element #1 consists of ½ mile (2500 ft.) of improvements to existing all-terrain vehicle (ATV) trail and will include repair, relocation and rebuilding damaged portions of the trail system (see attached map for locations); element #2 involves the construction of approximately 3 miles of new connector motorcycle trail with the primary purpose of replacing trail miles lost due to conversion of trail to forest roads and to maintain an off-the-road system of motorcycle trails. This element will also reduce the need for motorcycles to travel on forest roads to get from one section of trail to the next; and element #3 is the construction of approximately 2000 ft. of 5 foot wide 4x4 (jeep) trail that will emphasize skill building and user education. There will also be approximately 3000 feet of trail improvements along an existing 4x4 trail that was built under the previous construction phase in 2005. All project work will take place within the existing boundaries of the Walker Valley ORV Area.

Proponent:

Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Northwest Region

Location of proposal, including street address, if any:

Sections 2, 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of Township 33N, Range 5E, WM in Skagit County Washington. See attached map.

Lead agency:

Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Northwest Region

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.



- [] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.
- [X] This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2): the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from <u>Tanuary 18., 2007</u>. Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2007.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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